

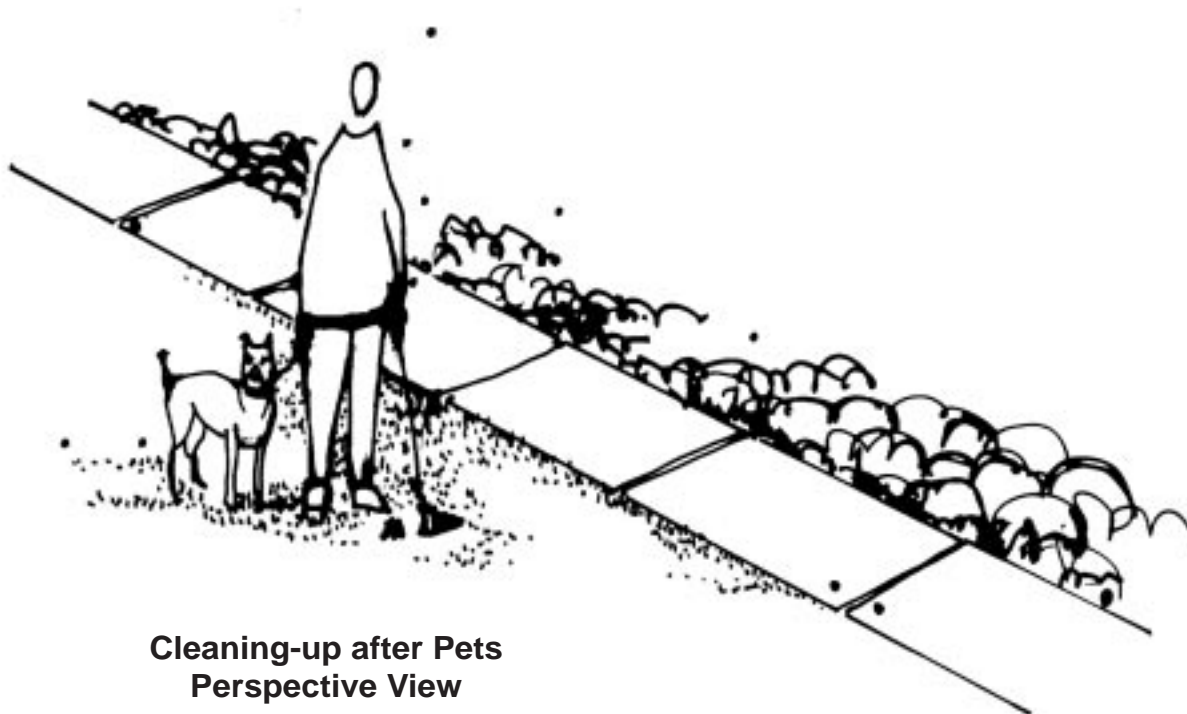
PRIMARY USE: Reduction of bacteria and organic matter in stormwater runoff.
ADDITIONAL USES: Elimination of offensive odors and general aesthetic improvement.

ANIMAL WASTE COLLECTION

What is it? A non-structural practice to reduce pollutant content in storm water.

Purpose

Animal wastes contribute significantly to the quantity of bacteria and organic matter in storm water runoff. This problem is particularly serious because the wastes are deposited in street gutters where runoff carries the waste directly into streams.



**Cleaning-up after Pets
Perspective View**

Limitations

Depends upon cooperation of pet owners and existence of town ordinances.

Materials

Not applicable.

Installation

Animal wastes can be controlled through ordinances requiring collection and removal of the waste from curbsides, yards, parks, roadways and other areas where the waste can be washed directly into receiving waters. The ordinances should include guidance on proper disposal of animal wastes. Spreading of animal waste on fields by industries can be addressed in such ordinances.

Source: Urban Stormwater, North Carolina State University.